

Application No. 10/722,470

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Claims: This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the present patent application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A leg pad for a hockey player having a leg with a knee and a shin,
said leg pad comprising:

(a) a knee guard for covering the knee of the hockey player;

(b) ~~comprising a strap and~~ a shin guard extending along ~~a wearer's~~ the shin of the
hockey player and wrapping partially around ~~a wearer's~~ the leg of the hockey player; and ;
~~said strap comprising~~

(c) a strap comprising:

(a) (i) a first section having a first end portion releasably affixed to said shin guard, said
first section comprising a rear surface facing said shin guard and a front surface
comprising a front affixing portion;

(b) (ii) a second section extending from said first section, said second section comprising
a rear surface; and

(c) (iii) a third section extending from said second section, said third section comprising
a rear surface having a rear affixing portion, wherein, in use, said rear surface of
said second section faces a back portion of the ~~wearer's~~ leg, and said third section
at least partially overlaps said first section such that the ~~wearer~~ hockey player can
engage said rear affixing portion of said third section with said front affixing
portion of said first section for securing said leg pad to the ~~wearer's~~ leg.

2. (cancelled)

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3. (currently amended) A leg pad as defined in claim 2 1, wherein said shin guard comprises a left side and a right side, at least one of said left side and said right side comprising an aperture for receiving said strap.

4. (currently amended) A leg pad as defined in claim 3, wherein ~~said first section comprises a first end portion~~, said first end portion ~~wrapping wraps~~ around the an edge of said shin guard; ~~passing passes~~ through said aperture; and ~~being~~ is releasably affixed to a remaining portion of said first section.

5. (previously presented) A leg pad as defined in claim 4, wherein said first end portion comprises a back surface, said back surface being adapted for affixing to said rear surface of said remaining portion of said first section.

6. (previously presented) A leg pad as defined in claim 5, wherein said back surface comprises one of hooks and loops and wherein said rear surface comprises the other one of hooks and loops.

7. (cancelled)

8. (previously presented) A leg pad as defined in claim 1, wherein at least a portion of said second section comprises elastic.

9. (cancelled)

10. (currently amended) A leg pad as defined in claim ~~9~~ 1, wherein said shin guard and said knee guard are made of a rigid material.

11. (previously presented) A leg pad as defined in claim 10, wherein said rigid material is plastic.

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12. (previously presented) A leg pad as defined in claim 11, wherein said shin guard comprises a groove for receiving said strap.

13. (previously presented) A leg pad as defined in claim 12, wherein said shin guard comprises a padding liner and an inner padding.

14. (currently amended) A leg pad as defined in claim 4, wherein said ~~first end portion~~ third section comprises a projecting tab for facilitating removal of said third section from said first section.

15. (currently amended) A leg pad as defined in claim 13, wherein said padding liner and said inner padding are made of ~~from~~ foam material ~~covered by layers of woven synthetic yarn.~~

16. (cancelled)

17. (new) A leg pad for a hockey player having a leg with a knee and a shin, said leg pad comprising:

- (a) a knee guard for covering the knee of the hockey player, said knee guard being made of plastic;
- (b) a shin guard extending along the shin of the hockey player and wrapping partially around the leg of the hockey player, said shin guard being made of plastic and comprising a right aperture proximate to a right side of said shin guard and a left aperture proximate to a left side of said shin guard; and
- (c) a strap comprising:

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- i) a first section comprising a rear surface facing said shin guard and a front surface comprising a front affixing portion;
- ii) a second section extending from said first section, said second section comprising a rear surface; and
- iii) a third section extending from said second section, said third section comprising a rear surface having a rear affixing portion, wherein, in use, said rear surface of said second section faces a back portion of the leg, and said third section at least partially overlaps said first section such that the hockey player can engage said rear affixing portion of said third section with said front affixing portion of said first section for securing said leg pad to the leg, and wherein said first end portion wraps around an edge of said shin guard, passes through one of said right and left apertures and is releasably affixed to a remaining portion of said first section.